



Master Chief Terence F. Vanderwerf

United States Coast Guard

Command Master Chief



Command Master Vanderwerf assumed the duties as Command Master Chief for Deputy Commandant for Operations September 2011.

A 1982 graduate of Scappoose High School OR, he is a Machinery Technician by Trade. He advanced of Chief Petty Officer in February 1997, and advanced to Master Chief January 2004.

He previously served as the Coast Guard District Eleven Command Master Chief from June 2009 to August 2011 and Coast Guard District Seventeen Command Master Chief (east) position from May 2004 to June 2009. Other assignments include; Station Bodega Bay, National Motor Lifeboat School and CGCs MIDGETT, OBION, CHIPPEWA, LIBERTY, FIREBUSH, GLACIER, WHITEBUSH, and YOCONA.



Master Chief Vanderwerf is a graduate of the Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Academy, Class 63, the Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Class 101, the National Defense University's Command Senior Enlisted Leadership Course and the Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership Course, Class 04-10. Master Chief Vanderwerf holds a Department of Labor Journeyman's License for Utilities Power Plant Operator and an Associate's Degree in Applied Marine Engineering and Human Resources Management.

Master Chief Vanderwerf personal awards include: three Meritorious Service Medals, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, four Coast Guard Achievement Medals with Operational Distinguishing Device, Commandant's Letter of Commendation with Operational Distinguishing Device, nine Coast Guard Good Conduct Medals, Permanent Cuttermans insignia, Permanent Boat Forces insignia and 28 other unit and team awards.